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62	2c carmine lake	.30	.07	.30	.07
63	3c ultramarine	.30	.07	....	.03
64	4c olive green	.40	.10	.40	.10
65	5c violet	.40	.10	.40	.10
66	6c red brown	.60	.15	.60	.12
67	8c red orange	.80	.20	.80	.20
68	10c black brown	....	.50	....	.35
69	12c dark blue	....	.35	....	.20
70	15c scarlet	1.00	.25	1.00	.25
71	24c gray violet	1.40	.35	1.40	.35
74	60c black	3.40	.85	1.60	.10
61—74	Full set (14)	....	7.00	....	6.20
	1898 ROYAL				
78	1c carmine rose	.25	.05	.25	.05
79	2c orange	.35	.08	.35	.08
80	½c olive green	.08	.02	.08	.02
81	1c yellow green	.20	.05	....	.01
82	2c vermilion	.20	.05	....	.01
83	3c orange	.35	.08	....	.01
84	5c blue	....	.12	....	.03
85	4c violet	....	.25	....	.10
78—85	Set of 8	....	.65	....	.25
	1910 GUY				
87	1c green 12x12	.35	.08	.35	.08
87a	1c green 12x11	.12	.03	.12	.03
87b	1c green 12x14	.35	.08	.35	.08
87d	NFW and JamRs	2.00	1.50	....	.75
88a	2c carmine 12x14	.40	.10	....	.02
89	3c brown olive	....	.75	....	.75
90	4c dull violet	....	.75	....	.75
91	5c ultra. 12x12	....	.50	....	.35
91a	5c ultra. 12x14	.80	.20	....	.08
92a	6c claret-normal Z	4.00	1.00	4.00	1.00
93	8c pale brown	....	1.25	....	1.25
96	12c lilac brown	....	1.50	....	1.50
97	15c gray black	....	1.75	....	1.75
	1911 ENGRAVED GUYS				
98	6c brown violet	....	.80	....	.80
100	9c olive green	....	2.50	....	2.50
102	12c red brown	....	2.50	....	2.50
103	15c slate green	....	3.00	....	3.00
	1911 CORONATION				
108	5c ultramarine	....	.08	....	.03
109	6c black	....	.90	....	.90
111	9c blue violet	....	.90	....	.90
113	12c plum	....	.90	....	.90
114	15c magenta	....	.90	....	.90
104—114	Set of 11 (No. 110a)	....	9.75	....	9.75
	1918 CARIBOU				
120	6c gray	3.00	.70	3.00	.70
121	8c magenta	3.00	.70	3.00	.70
122	10c dark green	1.00	.22	1.00	.15
123	12c orange	2.00	.50	2.00	.50
124	15c dark blue	3.00	.70	3.00	.70
125	24c bistre	2.50	.60	2.50	.60
126	36c olive green	2.50	.60	2.50	.60
115—126	Full set (12)	....	4.00	....	3.50
	1920 PROVISIONAL				
127	2c on 30c	....	.50	....	.50
128	3c on 15c (narrow)	16.00	4.00	16.00	4.00
129	3c on 15c (wide bars)	....	.60	....	.60
130	3c on 35c	2.00	.50	2.00	.50
127—130	Full set (4)	....	5.25	....	5.25

Scott's Nos.		Unused Block	Unused Sgle.	Used Block	Used Sgle.
	1923 PICTORIAL				
134	4c brown violet	....	.07	.08	.02
135	5c ultramarine	....	.09	.08	.02
136	6c gray black	.50	.12	.50	.10
137	8c dull violet	.50	.12	.40	.10
138	9c slate green	2.50	.60	2.00	.40
139	10c violet	.80	.20	.30	.07
140	11c olive green	.80	.20	.80	.20
141	12c lake	1.00	.25	1.00	.25
142	15c deep blue	1.10	.28	1.00	.20
143	20c red brown	1.20	.30	1.00	.20
144	24c olive brown	10.00	2.50	10.00	2.50
131—144	Full set (14)	17.00	4.25	16.00	3.75
	1928 NFLD—LABRADOR				
148	4c lilac rose	.30	.07	.15	.03
149	5c slate green	.50	.12	.25	.05
150	6c ultramarine	.80	.20	.80	.20
151	8c light brown	.60	.15	.60	.15
152	9c myrtle green	3.00	.70	3.00	.60
153	10c dark violet	1.40	.35	1.00	.20
154	12c brown carmine	2.00	.50	2.00	.50
155	14c red brown	.80	.20	.80	.20
156	15c dark blue	1.20	.30	1.20	.30
157	20c gray black	1.40	.35	1.00	.15
158	28c gray green	1.60	.40	1.60	.40
159	30c olive brown	2.40	.60	2.40	.60
145—159	Full set (15)	16.00	4.00	15.00	3.00
145—146	on First Day cover—Jan. 2nd, 1928				.25
147	on First Day cover—Jan. 5th, 1928				.25
148	on First Day cover—Jan. 5th, 1928				.30
	1929 PROVISIONAL				
160	3c on 6c in red	.80	.20	.80	.20
	Full sheet of 25 stamps	5.00	....	....	....
	1929 RE-ENGRAVED				
162	1c deep green	$ .08	$ .02	$ .05	$ .01
163	2c bright carmine	.10	.03	.08	.02
164	3c orange brown	.16	.04	.12	.02
165	4c magenta	.20	.05	.16	.03
166	5c slate green	.24	.06	.20	.04
167	6c ultramarine	.80	.20	.80	.20
170	10c pale violet	.60	.15	.40	.10
173	15c pale blue	.80	.20	.80	.20
174	20c gray black	1.20	.30	1.20	.30
	1931 RE-ENGRAVED				
	(On Watermarked paper)				
	6c ultramarine	.32	.08	.32	.08
	8c red brown	.48	.12	.48	.12
	1931 AIR POST STAMPS				
	(Not on watermarked paper)				
	15c brown	3.50	.80	....	....
	50c green	....	1.00	....	....
	ON WATERMARKED PAPER				
	(Arms of Newfoundland)				
	15c brown	.80	.20	.80	.20
	50c green	2.40	.60	2.40	.60
	$1.00 blue	4.80	1.20	4.80	1.20

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Nos. 145 to 174 were used for only a short time and there will be no more of these issued as all our future stamps will be printed on the watermarked paper. The 1928 and 1929 sets will rise in value even faster than the Guy and Coronation did.

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Falkland Islands

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THE Falkland Islands are located in the South Atlantic Ocean about 250 miles east of Cape Horn off the southern coast of South America, they consist of a group of 200 islands. The two largest islands are East Falkland and West Falkland with areas of 3000 and 2300 square miles respectively, and are separated by Falkland Sound. The Falkland Islands are a British crown colony since 1840.

There are no trees growing on the islands. The principal industries are sheep raising and whaling. The country is very wet, averaging about 250 days of rain a year. Owing to the proximity to the Antarctic Circle the average temperature in summer is 47 degrees F. and in winter 37 degrees F.

The population numbers about 3000, Scottish shepherds and fishermen.

There are five post-offices, Port Stanley (the capital), Fox Bay, Port Darwin, and New Island, also since 1905 when a group of islands, South Georgia, were put under the administration of the Falkland Islands there is a post-office in South Georgia and a seasonal substation in Bay of Wales.

In the beginning South Georgia had no cancel and stamps were marked with a straight line rubber stamp "South Georgia" on the bottom margin of the stamp and then cancelled in Port Stanley. Owing to this cancel resembling a surcharge, those stamps were sold at one time by dealers as a separate issue and a number of fakes were produced.

There is no actual postage service in the islands, the mail is collected and distributed about once a month at the different offices and sub-stations, and generally carried by the farmers and fishermen to the outlying districts. Frequently lone islands are informed thru signal fires that mail is waiting.

From 1868 until the first stamps were issued in 1878 two paid cancels were used, first a square box cancel, three line inscription, "Falkland—Paid—Island", the ink used was black, seldom red, later a larger circular cancel with the same inscription, with red ink only.

1878 June—1d and 6d—1879-4d and 1s

Engraved by Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co., London, on gray thin unwatermarked paper line perforated 14 x 14½. The center medallion shows the head of Queen Victoria. On the bottom is the value, on the top in a curved band, white on color, Falkland Island.

The same die was used for the center as for the stamps of Transvaal 1878, the sheets consisted of 60 stamps, 6 rows of 10 each. Owing to the line perforation the outside rows of stamps were not perforated, and at an early date fake perforations were added.

1881

1d and 4d Wmkd. crown C. A. upright.

1886

1d and 4d Wmkd. crown C. A. sidewise, printed by Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co.

The paper used for those stamps was the same as for the stamps of the Antilles, but the stamps of the Falkland Islands being larger the position of the watermark would not properly fit so the printer therefore tried the sidewise positions, but again the result was not satisfactory and the printing of later issues were resumed with the watermark upright. Stamps with the whole watermark are hard to find.

The sheets consisted of four panels, 10 x 6, i. e. 240 stamps. Perforation was the same as the first issue, but after 1892 all stamps were perforated on four sides.

1891-1892

½d on diagonal half of 1d watermarked upright or sidewise. In 1891 the postage rate to Great Britain was reduced from 4d to 2½d. No such duty was on hand so the 1d stamp was cut in half and surcharged with a single steel die as required. Bisects are found on pieces of covers without surcharge, also pieces exist where the surcharge overlaps to the cover, this would happen if the letter was handed in franked at the post-office and the surcharge applied then. Inverts and other varieties exist.

1892

New values ½d and 2½d watermarked crown and C. A. upright.

1892-1896

Additional new values, 6d and 1s, the same as above.

1898

3s and 5s, large new type engraved by Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co., on paper watermarked crown C. C., line perforated 14 x 14½ in sheets of 60, 6 x 10.

1904-1905

½d to 5s engraved and printed by De La Rue and Co., London, on white paper, watermarked Multiple Crown C. A., in two sizes. The center medallion shows the head of King Edward VII. On the lower values—the small size stamp—the value is on the bottom and the name on the top. The 3s and 5s show the value three times in fig-

ures, on each side respectively and on the bottom also on a curved band in color on white ground. The 1d exists with watermark sidewise.

1912-1914

King George, engraved and printed by De La Rue and Co., London, similar to previous issue but with crown on top, over head and postage and revenue on each side.

1921-1925

Previous stamps with new watermark—multiple crown and script C. A.

1928

Owing to a shortage of the 2½d duty in South Georgia, the 2d brown violet were surcharged 2½d, this is the rarest stamp of the Falkland Islands.

1929

New Type head of King George V, in a medallion, Falkland Islands on top, postage and revenue on bottom, value on the upper left and right side of head, 1d to 1 pound.

SPAIN REFUNDS MONEY

The claim so frequently made that the Spanish Government is making stamps to milk collectors would seem to be unfounded when the Postoffice Department of Spain refuses cash remittances and returns money that is sent them for postage stamps.

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INTERVIEWS WITH STAMP PORTRAITS

By Capt. A. C. Townsend

Genl. Washington, the editor of Linn's Weekly Stamp News has sent me to interview you regarding the use of your picture on our postage stamps. How do you feel about it?

Honored, my dear lad, honored. I confess that I was a bit startled at first, for you will remember that the stamp tax was a matter I bitterly opposed. Times change, however, and I am contented and happy over the matter now.

And which of your portraits pleases you most, General?

Why, naturally, I feel that my picture on the 90c stamps of 1851 and 1861 are most in accordance with my position and dignity. At the same time, having been accorded the title of "Father of my Country," I feel that my picture on the 2c stamp is where it belongs, for thus I enter into nearly every home in the country, and so am kept constantly in close touch with my beloved people.

And which is your favorite stamp, Mr. President?

I am very fond of the 1c one of 1925 entitled "Washington at Cambridge." It is thrilling to look at that scene, remembering the size of our army and country at that early date, and then to travel about and note our wondrous growth.

But I like best the picture of myself at Valley Forge, and trust that my country will always rely on Divine guidance and help, as I did at that time.

That reminds me. I saw recently that one Philip Ward has claimed to be the man in the background of that picture. I cannot tell a lie or countenance one, so I am forced into denying this statement. The man was one of my soldiers and was holding my horse, and his name was not Ward. I refer to the man, not the horse, of course.

Nothing further? Good day to you, then. I am just on the point of starting on this letter to the Philippines, where I noted with great satisfaction at the time that my country kept clear of entangling foreign alliances by purchasing the islands outright from Spain. Farewell, sir.

CUBA DESTROYS REMAINDERS

Large quantities of the obsolete Map Stamps, of the 1914 issue have been destroyed, both the booklets and the full sheets.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

NEW AND RECENT ISSUES

Azores A30, 4c, 80c	$ .06
Bolivia A70-1, 10c, 15c, 35c	.33
Brunei New 5c, 6c, 25c, 30c, Script	.50
New 50c at 38c; New $1 at	.75
Canal Zone A92, 3c violet, 11x10½	.05
Cuba AP3, 5c to $1, 8 var.	3.10
Curacao A12, 2½c on 3c green	.03
Cechoslovakia A33, 3k brown	.14
A36, 10k violet	.44
Dutch Indies A13, 1.75g violet	.95
Ecuador A125, 10s rose and black	3.00
Mozambique "Naguema" SP11, 50c	.04
Nicaragua Ptg. and Offi., 2/10c, 5/10c	.25
Paraguay A57, 10p carmine, blue	.36
Portugal A100, 5, 10, 16, 25c	.07
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This brief note will serve to introduce to our readers the man who will in the future, have charge of the New Issue Listings for publication in Linn's Weekly Stamp News.

The handsome gentleman whose picture is printed herewith is Ray Shepard, 1529 Duxberry Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

In accepting the task of supplying the copy for the new issue department Mr. Shepard does so with a full realization that his

predecessor, Mr. Kimble has provided a very hard mark for him to shoot at. The publishers believe that the new issue department as it has appeared in this paper for the past year has been the most outstanding and most complete of any similar service in any stamp paper in America.

The publishers believe that Mr. Shepard will, after a short time, in which time he will have made proper contacts with dealers and others who have been in the habit of supplying copy and news notes, be able to supply you with new issue news service that will be equal to what we have had in the past.

Being situated here in Columbus, will be a benefit in many ways to both the new issue editor and the publisher.

The publishers solicit the active support and cooperation of all dealers and collectors and invite you to address news notes and information on new issues direct to Mr. Shepard.

Ray Shepard has been a collector of stamps for many years. Besides a modest, yet excellent collection of United States issues, he is interested in the following foreign countries, of which he has a very nice showing in each country. Austria, Bavaria, Belgium, Bosnia, Canada, Cuba after 1898, France (no colonies), Italy and colonies, Japan, Liechtenstein, Netherlands and Colonies and Union of South Africa.

He is a student of stamps and has gone out of the beaten path in his collections of the countries listed above.

During the late World War Mr. Shepard served in the United States Navy. He is a Past Commander of Navy and Marine Post No. 276, American Legion, Department of Ohio. He has served as secretary of the Columbus Philatelic Club since its organization in 1925.

TOOK A VACATION ON US

A letter just at hand from T. J. Eppes, who runs the Hobby Shop at Jacksonville, Fla., tells us that he has just returned from a vacation trip and when he got home found a desk full of mail among which was 27 orders for the collection which he is advertising in the current number of this paper. Mr. Eppes is a strong believer in advertising. One of his instructions to us in supplying copy was that we never make the advertisement smaller than three inches. He knows that the bigger the noise the more of a crowd it will attract and that is something that others might heed.

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2551	5c 1887 on white	.20
2586	2c Columbian	.06
2589	10c Columbian	.40
2625	2c 1903 on buff	.07
2637	5c 1907 on white	.13
2641	4c 1907 on amber	.13
2642	5c 1907 on amber	.17
2645	2c 1907 on buff	.05
2650	2c 1907 on blue	.05
2661	2c on white, error "Posage"	1.00
2662	3c on white	.15
2682	1c on brown glazed	.08
2684	2 on 3c surcharged	.35
2685	2 on 3c surcharged	.50
2687	2 on 3c surcharged	.10
2695	2 on 3c surcharged	.07
2697	2 on 3c surcharged	.10
2699	2 on 3c surcharged	.07
2721	1½ on 1c surcharged	.17
2725	1½ on 1c surcharged	.07
2727	1½ on 1c surcharged	.40
2728	1½ on 1c surcharged	.07
2733 a	1½ on 1c (cat. $1.50)	.50
2734	1½ on 1c surcharged	.20
2736	1½ on 1c surcharged	.33
2737	1½ on 1c surcharged	.33
2738	1½ on 1c surcharged	.33
2739	1½ on 1c surcharged	.07
3037	4c 1903 wrapper	.30
3204	3c P. O. Dept. on lemon	.05
3205	6c P. O. Dept. on lemon	.10
3260	3c War on blue	.08
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EDITED BY

RAY SHEPARD, 1529 DUXBERRY AVE., COLUMBUS, O.

With this issue your new editor makes his debut. He asks your indulgence for a few weeks, until he has "learned the ropes". It will be his aim to maintain the high standard set by his predecessor. The bulk of this week's news is that furnished by Mr. Kimble, which had to be carried over from last week.

Letters offering co-operation and congratulations to your new editor are hereby acknowledged from Economist Stamp Co., and C. C. Weber, Cleveland, Ohio.

BRITISH GUIANA — A commemorative issue in celebration of the centenary of the Amalgamation of the countries of Demerara, Berbice and Essequibo as the colony of British Guiana, are due to appear about July 1st. The values will be 1, 2, 4 and 6c.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

CANADA—A change in postage rates effective July 1, in Canada and between Canada and other countries may be the cause of several changes in the postage stamps of this country in the near future.

The following rates are announced, effective July 1.

For local delivery, 2c first ounce and 1c for each additional ounce.

For all other offices in Canada, 3c first ounce and 2c each additional ounce.

For Great Britain, places within the British Empire, France, the United States and all other places in North and South America, 3c first ounce and 2c each additional ounce.

For all other countries, 5c first ounce and 3c each additional ounce.

Post cards, no change in rates.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC—According to a copy of the "Official Gaceta" of the Dominican Republic dated December 24, 1930, a new issue of stamps is about to appear. The design shows a picture of the Cathedral in Santo Domingo, said to be the first church in the Americas. Across the top of the stamps "Republica Dominica" and with values in each lower corner.

Following are the values and quantities proposed to be printed.

1c green (1 million)
2c red (2 million)
10c pale blue (150,000)

(Elliott M. Walton, Inc.)

INDIA—Jaipur—The series of commemoratives listed in our May 16th number was issued March 14th, the day on which H. H. the Maharaja was invested with full ruling powers. The designs are striking ones. Exactly eighteen complete sets were overprinted: Investiture—March 14, 1931" in red. These were probably for presentation purposes, but a few of the stamps have been reported as used in the mail. Not a set you are likely to secure very easily!

(Philatelic Magazine)

IRISH FREE STATE—We have had sent us a clipping giving details of the coming 2p stamp commemorating the 200th anniversary of the Royal Dublin Society. It is to be blue in color and will show the figure of a harvester carrying a scythe, with the appropriate dates and descriptive wording underneath.

(Mr. Robert L. Gordon)
(Stamp Collecting)

JUGOSLAVIA — Following are the quantities of the recent Charity Stamps:

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(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

LIECHTENSTEIN — The new Zeppelin stamps have appeared and are up to the usual high standard of recent issues of this principality. They were issued in connection with the recent visit of the Graf Zeppelin. Two values only, in similar designs. One shows the big zep. pointed to the right, the other to the left. Mountain valley scenes complete the picture. Numbers issued are given below:

1fr gray-olive (30,000)
2fr gray-blue (25,000)

(The C. D. Reimers Co.)

MEXICO—A curious variety has come to light in the recently issued 25c air-meet commemorative. One of the stamps on a sheet shows a plate flaw on the under side of the right wing of the plane which looks exactly like a brilliant riding-light. It is very noticable and looks intentional except when examined with a glass.

(Mr. S. S. Bendet)

MONGOLIA—Three high value provisionals are reported as just issued. These are surcharged on the 1926-29 series:

A3 10m on 1m yellow and black
20m on 2m brown-orange & black
25m on 40m lemon and black

(Stamp Collecting)

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97	1c Blue Green		.07	.30
98	2c Carmine		.07	.30
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142	2c Confederation	(1927)	.04	.15
143	3c Confederation	(1927)	.06	.25
144	5c Confederation	(1927)	.08	.35
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148	20c Historical		.35	1.10

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NEW ZEALAND — A new design is out, a 1s3p stamp. This shows the Arms of New Zealand with the wording "New Zealand Stamp Duty". No reference is made to postage, but it is on paper watermarked NZ and star, with POSTAGE in the margin. Color is poor.

Air Stamps for this country are forecast in the following designs:

7d—for the Indian-England line.
4d—for lines to Canada, U. S. & Australia.
3d—for inland service.

(Philatelic Magazine)

NICARAGUA — The recent earthquake has brought results in the stamp issues of this country. First there were a number of bisects of current values more or less official. Then we have a new provisional, No. 499, overprinted "C$0.02" in red, with a black bar and "1931" in black. Just 5,000 of these were printed. Then in the air-post stamps there are four new provisionals. Nos. 701-2-3 overprinted in green: "Vale 15c 1931", and No. 703 overprinted in green "Vale 20c 1931". These were officially authorized by a presidential decree No. 4, dated June 3, 1931.

Postage

A33 2c on 10c bistre brown (5,000)

Air-Post

(Nos. 701-2-3 overprinted)
A24 15c on 25c orange (332)
A24 15c on 25c black-brown (190)
A24 15c on 25c dk. violet (1,000)
A24 20c on 25c dk. violet (1,966)

(Stamp Imports, Inc.)

SAN MARINO — This country has found it necessary to add three new values to the set of Postage Dues and have decided to surcharge a quantity of the 5, 10 and 30c Dues of the 1925-8 issue, with the following values: 15, 20, 25, 40c and 2 lire. The new values being added to the set thereby being 20 and 40c and 2 lire.

(Whitfield, King & Co.)

SOUTH WEST AFRICA—The number of sheets of sixty stamps of the 4d. and 1/- Provisional Air Mails issued were as follows:

4d. Small Overprint 400 sheets.
1/- Small Overprint 240 sheets.
4d. Large Overprint 820 sheets.
1/- Large Overprint 414 sheets.

(Whitfield, King & Co.)

SWITZERLAND — The designs for this year's "Pro Juventute" set follow:

5c. The Valley of Lauterbrunnen
10c. The Lakes of the Upper Engadine
20c A sketch of the Lake of Geneva
30c. Alexander Vinet, the theologian.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

TURKEY—This country is making arrangements to again produce her own postage stamps. The new set will show the portrait of the Gazi, Mustapha Kemal Pasha.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

NEW ISSUES MINT

Bulgaria, 6, 10 and 20 Leva ..... $ .17
Czecoslovakia, 3kr and 10kr. pictorial .60
Egypt. Zeppelin Special Flight, 2 var. 2.50
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Germany. Zeppelin I Mk. rose ..... .30
Hungary. Zeppelin Special Airmail, 2 var. **rare now** 1.50
Island. Zeppelin, 2 var. 1.10
Italy. 1927 Provisional Airmail, Scott's No. 558 and 559 ..... .40
S. Antony, 7 var. pictorial ..... .67
do. for the Colonies, 28 var. 2.75
Lichtenstein, Zeppelin, 2 var., Pictorial 1.00
Luxembourg, New Airmail, complete 4 var. ..... .30
Portugal, S. Anthony 1931, 6 var., pictorial ..... .40
Luisiadas Comm. 7 var. ..... .35
Rumania, High values, 30, 50, 100 Lei. 1.35
New Airmail, 50b, 1, 2 L. ..... .05
Jubilee of the Kingdom, the Marine and the Infantry, 16 var. 1.35
Russia. Zeppelin, 2 var., rare 2.10
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RED CROSS PLATE NUMBERS

By Ralph A. Kimble

We are nearing the end of the trail now. Last week we had discovered 357 different plate number combinations out of the possible four hundred. Today, with twenty-five additional reported, we have a total of 382, leaving only eighteen combinations unreported. These eighteen are all in black plates number 20457-66-7-8-9 in combination with various red plates. A check of this and previous reports will disclose which ones are still missing.

Here are the new combinations reported during the past week:

Black	Red
20451	20497-502
20454	20502
20455	20445-402
20456	20447
20457	20447-9
20466	20446-90-501
20467	20446-8-96-7-9-500-2
20468	20445-7-96-503
20469	20447-9-93

The most interesting news of the week is the report we received today from C. E. Nickles that several additional plates have been assigned to the Red Cross Stamp, and that one hundred million have been printed instead of the originally planned fifty million. They also confirm our previous idea that Red plates No. 20442-3-4 were assigned, but not used.

To make the picture clear we give a complete list of all plate numbers assigned to this stamp:

Black

20434-5-6-7-8-9-40-1
20450-1-2-3-4-5-6-7
20466-7-8-9
*20513-4-5-6
*20525-6-7-8

Red

20445-6-7-8-9
20489-90-1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-500-1-2-3
*20517-8-9-20-1-2-3-4
**20442-3-4

Those numbers with one star in front of them have not yet been reported as having been seen. We are particularly anxious to know if these have been issued and request any persons having them to send us the blocks for inspection. Those numbers with the double star in front of them were assigned but never issued. No use looking for them. You can easily see the importance of knowing whether these eight new plates of each color are used. If they are it will make possible 784 different combinations instead of the original four hundred.

More than forty more friends have sent in the information this week. It is a never-failing source of the deepest pleasure to discover what splendid cooperation is always available from hundreds of widely scattered sources whenever a matter of this kind comes up. We sincerely appreciate your help, and trust that you will keep it up until our list is complete. Send all information to the writer, Ralph A. Kimble, 8118 Dante Avenue, Chicago, Ill. Here is the Honor Roll for this week:

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(Philatelic Magazine)

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EDITORIALS

TALKING ABOUT THE WEATHER This heading is stolen bodily from the supplement to the 1931 Wholesale Catalogue of the H. E. Harris & Co., of Boston. The following article which is printed under the above heading is of such vital importance to stamp dealers that we feel justified in printing it for the benefit of anyone who may not have read the item.

In taking this article bodily from the Harris catalog we do not want to be accused of being too lazy in this hot weather to write something ourselves. We are plugging along at full speed even in this warm weather and for ourselves we never complain about the weather, that is one thing that we know we can not change so we take it as it comes and make the best of it.

"Mark Twain once complained indignantly that people were always talking about the weather, but that nobody ever did anything about it.

Stamp dealers especially, when summer approaches, begin talking about the weather, wondering what effect the heat will have on their summer sales. And too many of them, we believe, despair because nothing can be done about the weather, and forget all the things that can be done to improve the business.

In an article entitled "The Stamp Business in Summer" (On page 56 of this catalog) we have shown, using our own sales as a standard, that the slowest time of the year for stamp sales is the four-month period from the first of June to the first of October. During this period, however, sales decline only 12% from the monthly average for the year. And even at the lowest point, which comes in the month of July, the depression below average is only 19%.

We hope that these facts will help to wipe out the old superstition that it is impossible to sell stamps in the summer time. Good business is possible. A dealer who finds that his sales for the summer months are off more than 10% to 20% from his monthly average, should try getting down to business as he does during the winter months of the year. He will be more likely to discover that a large part of the sales depression is due to a let-down in his own activities, rather than to any fatal spell arising from the hot weather.

Last year we worked at full speed all summer long, without curtailing our advertising or dismissing a single employee because of the slight seasonal decline in sales. This year we expect to do the same. We are looking forward to a steady flow of business all through the summer months of the year.

The very fact that so many stamp dealers practically shut down from June to September, helps to make this time of year a fairly good period for dealers who will brave the hot weather and energetically go out after business."

THEN THERE IS DONALD E. Dickason the hustling Air Mail Auction man at Wooster, Ohio, who never gave a thought to the weather when he presented his wife with a pair of twin boys recently.

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The West Coast furnishes the new issues this week as Dr. Mitchell and M. R. Lampson sends us the above.

An interesting letter from K. Sakue of Bothell, Washington. Has an argument in favor of the state overprints of Kansas and Nebraska. Feels they should be considered as buros. What do the readers think? Mr. Sakue shows an interesting piece, the Hastings Nebraska on the State overprinted stamp without period.

We note in the Bureau Specialist for June:—

No new towns.

A new denomination:—Portland, Main 6c ordinary.

Mr. H. M. Southgate, President of the Bureau Issues Ass'n is under the impression that the new Washington set will not be buro printed.

A new minor variety by Walt Black of Kansas City. Ft. Worth, Texas old type 1½c coil. The "X" of Tex. is dropped down considerable below the "Te" much on the order of the Louisville low "V's". (Yep;—we have one thanks to Mr. Black).

29 new items were ordered in April.

The above notes are from the Bureau Specialist, the buro print section handled by E. E. Thresher. However there are a total of 12 interesting pages in this issue. It comes once a month, also a weekly official organ. All for a dollar and a half per year. We have applications.

The new catalog is with us. Looks good. Statistics next week.

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"OLD CAP" HILLS

Friends of Frank K. Hills, better known in Philatelic Circles as "Old Cap" Hills, will be interested in knowing that since it has got too warm to roll the bowling balls down the alleys that Cap has taken up with another of his old loves, Baseball.

A clipping from the Racine-Journal-News pictures Hills as Secretary of the Racine Baseball Fans' Association. This Association sponsors a team from Racine and we understand that it plays with teams from Madison, Manitowoc, Milwaukee, Sheboygan and Two Rivers. Collectors in these towns will do well to attend games in this league and look up the Racine Club's secretary who is a rabid stamp fan.

The Racine Club is known as Seft's Racine Belles and Cap says it is some speedy team.

Incidentally, in the letter in which this information comes Cap tells us that he is planning to do a little stamp writing ere long and that readers of Linn's Weekly will be able to look forward to some of his well known Philatelic Bull-durhamizing.

WALTON'S NEW LIST

Elliott M. Walton, Inc. of New York, have faith in the quality of and in the kind of goods that they offer. Even at the beginning of the two hottest months of the year, they issue a new wholesale list and it might be of interest to collectors and dealers who do not get this list to know that Elliott M. Walton, Inc., have found business thus far this year to be ahead of the same months last year. Doubtless the reason for this is the aggressiveness of this firm coupled with the attractive lists of high class goods which they offer. They say,

"In issuing the List at this time we are looking at things in another light. It is our impression judging from the amount of our sales, which were 25% higher the first three months of 1931 than the same period last year, that the Stamp Trade is weathering the period of general depression in much better shape than almost all other lines of business. To sustain this "carrying on" through the Summer months we think one of the best bets for the dealer is to have on hand the kind of merchandise the collector buys readily and which doesn't stay with the dealer long enough to make him feel stamp poor."

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AIR MAIL FLASHES

EDITED BY H. G. KINGDOM, CONNEAUT, OHIO

This department belongs to our readers and we ask you to send all information received to the Editor as soon as possible and same will be acknowledged

Congratulations

The air mail fraternity will join in extending congratulations to our world famous auctioneer and correspondent, Donald E. Dickason and his charming wife, upon the recent addition of a pair of male twins to their family. These male heirs will undoubtedly become air mail fans.

Cleveland

The local air mail society on June 16th celebrated its second anniversary, and at the same time installed its newly elected officers. F. W. Grant, one of the veteran stamp collectors of the city, is the new President of C. A. M. S., C. L. Gates, Vice-President, J. T. Schweier, Secretary and Jack Shildhouse, Treasurer. With this fine list of officers and its large enthusiastic membership, its future is assured.

Berkshire Catalogue

The 1931 Edition of The Standard Airpost Catalogue has been issued. The present edition is greatly enlarged, nicely printed and profusely illustrated. It lists Air Mail Stamps of all countries, mint, used, on cover, first day cover, in complete sets, as well as all first and special flights, and is really a necessary handbook for all collectors of air mail stamps or covers. It is published by The Berkshire Exchange, Inc., of Wooster, Ohio.

Akron Crash

On June 23rd a plane piloted by Mildred Stinaff crashed near the new Municipal Airport and the aviatrix lost her life. The 19 year old pilot was the former holder of the woman's record for loop flying, having made 42 continuous loops.

Trans-Atlantics

Ruth Nichols' crack-up in landing at St. Johns, N. B. on June 22nd was just too bad. She had a wonderful plane, made record time from N. Y. and might have been successful at that time.

At this writing (June 24) Wiley Post and Harold Gatty are over the Atlantic on their attempted round-the-world flight to beat the Graf Zeppelin's time.

Newfoundland officials announce that no overprints will be used on any of these flights this summer, but that any mail carried will bear the regular $1.00 issue.

National Aeronautic Convention

Many aviation leaders who are members of this Association will meet in convention in Washington, D. C. on July 23 and 24, and the local Aero Club, a chapter, will sponsor a cachet. Covers must be sent to M. S. Petty, 617 Kennedy St., N. W. for this event. Mr. Petty advises that the air race to Mexico City was called off, and that all covers sent him for that event will be sent on above dates.

Items

At the last minute the Indiana Air Tour decided not to stop at South Bend, so Richard Stewart to whom many sent covers will hold for the next event from that city, unless you send postage for their return.

A fine article on Cover Collecting by Frank A. Costanzo appears in the July number of Popular Aviation, and is well worth reading. This kind of publicity is good for the hobby.

Vancouver, B. C. Airport and Seaplane Harbour will be officially opened on July 22nd and a cachet will be supplied. Send covers with money for Canadian Postage to William Templeton, Airport Manager, P. O. Box 16, Eburne, B. C.

Baton Rouge, La. and Storm Lake, Iowa, dedicated on June 20th and June 18th respectively and Marshall, Mich. on June 18th and good cachets were used. Some of these covers have been held years for us.

Lieut. Walter Hinton, is the guest of the Ashtabula, Ohio, Exchange Club, today, June 24th but haven't heard of any cachet.

Tomorrow, June 25th he will be at Erie, Pa. and cacheted covers will be mailed.

The new Yorktown stamp which will be issued in October, will go on First Day sale at Weathersfield, Conn., which is a branch of Hartford, and J. F. Popham 2-5 Jordan Lane, Weatherfield, states that special markings will be given by local organizations, and that if you will send covers, with cash, for postage he will be glad to hold covers and see that they are taken good care of, for this event.

Miami, Fla. Exchange Club will provide a special cachet, when and if the DO-X arrives in that city.

National Air Tour visits Huntington, W. Va. on July 22nd and the Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a gold cachet. Send covers to Paul Chambers, Cachet Director, Chamber of Commerce, Huntington, W. Va. who assures me this will be worth while.

Conneaut, Ohio, will have an Air Circus, on July 18th and I can assure you the covers will be properly marked if you wish to send them to me. This is sponsored by the American Legion.

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Vancouver, B. C. and Victoria, B. C.

In order to commemorate the inauguration of this Canadian air mail service, the following special cachets will be used on letters carried on the initial flights:—

Vancouver — Victoria
Victoria — Vancouver

However, these special cachets will be used only on such covers as are sent to the Postmaster at the point of commencement of the flight, bearing Canadian postage at the air mail rate, which is 5c for the first ounce and 10c for each succeeding ounce or fraction thereof.

All covers so prepared and forwarded under cover to the Postmaster at Vancouver or Victoria, bearing an indication as follows:—

VIA AIR MAIL

Vancouver — Victoria
or
Victoria — Vancouver

will receive the commemorative cachet and will go forward on the initial flight.

All covers should be sealed and contain enclosures of suitable size and thickness, to facilitate handling and ensure clear impressions of cachets and datestamps.

If you are interested in air mail covers and are anxious to secure the special cachets, it would be advisable to prepare your covers at the earliest possible moment and forward them under cover to the Postmaster at the point of commencement of the flight, with the request that they be held until these air mail flights take place. All covers handled in this manner must bear the necessary Canadian postage at the air mail rate, or should be accompanied by a Money Order covering the correct amount of postage. Covers should be addressed to the **actual place of destination:** for instance, a resident of Reading, desiring to send a letter to himself by the first flight between Vancouver and Victoria, should address such letter to himself at Reading and not to the Post Office at Victoria, being careful to mark it "Via Air Mail, Vancouver — Victoria". The letter should then be forwarded under cover to the Postmaster at Vancouver for transmission by the flight in question.

All covers conveyed on these flights addressed to point not on this air mail route and which have been specially forwarded to the Postmaster for inclusion in a flight, will be placed in the mails at the terminus of the flight and will go forward to the addressee in the regular way.

Registered mail properly prepaid will be accepted for conveyance. Special delivery letters will also be carried if properly prepaid both as regards air mail postage and the special delivery rate of twenty cents per letter in addition to air mail postage.

SHIP TO SHORE AIR MAIL TRANSFER

After looking for an account of this event of June 12, we find a letter from Mr. George S. Raymond, Principal of Kapaa School of Kauai, Hawaii. The letter encloses a clipping from the Honolulu Advertiser of Thursday, May 28, bearing a picture of the cachet used and the following account of the proceedings:

Directing the first Pacific Coast ship-to-shore experimental air mail transfer, Capt. J. T. Nicholson of Los Angeles, will arrive in Honolulu aboard the City of Los Angeles tomorrow and will make the return trip aboard the same vessel sailing June 6.

Capt. Nicholson is directing the first air mail transfer which will be made from the City of Los Angeles to the Goodyear Airship Volunteer 50 to 75 miles off the California Coast. Radio will play an important part in the experiment, as communication from the ship to the blimp will assist in making the contact at sea.

The Volunteer will pick up the Hawaiian mail from the City of Los Angeles and drop it on the roof of the San Pedro, Calif. postoffice where Capt. C. P. Wright, postmaster, will dispatch the mail to its various destinations.

Aboard the airship in charge of the pick-up from Capt. Nicholson will be Lt. Comm. Earle Ovington, first United States airmail pilot who will be in charge of the transfer of mail from the air.

For some unexplainable reason a cover which is at hand from Mr. M. de F. Spinola of Hilo, Hawaii, bearing the cachet and undoubtedly mailed from Hawaii, is cancelled at San Pedro, Calif., on June 12th.

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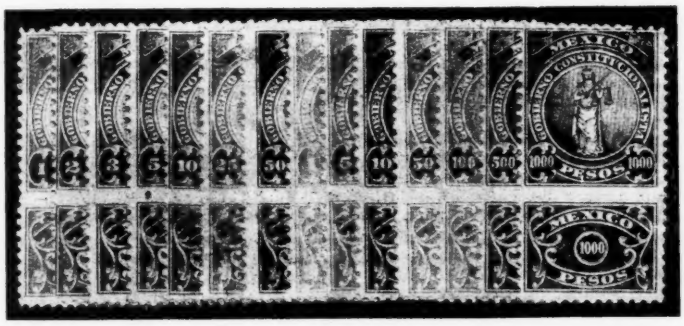
The most expensive star route in the United States is from Price to Vernal, Utah. It is 121 miles long and for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1923, the cost of maintaining it was approximately $96,700. As high as 20 or more tons of mail matter a day is transported over it.

The two longest routes are from Two Harbors to Grand Portage, Minn. and from Midland, Texas to Lovington, New Mexico. These routes are each 143 miles in length.

The carrier who supplies mail on the Newport-Otter Rock route in Oregon, immediately on the Pacific Coast, is up against many difficulties and hardships and many times takes his life in his hands in order that the patrons on the route may receive their letters and packages. The carrier is compelled to travel down the beach at low tide. If for some raeson the incoming tide catches him before completing his trip he must either abandon his team and the mail and climb the rocks or be dashed to pieces against them.

Rare Villa Stamps

While the wife was cleaning house this spring, a box full of old stamps was unearthed, and it was found to contain several hundred sets of the interesting Mexican Revenues that were issued when Villa was rampant in Mexico.



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ITALY ACTS TO REDUCE NUMBER OF COMMEMORATIVES

An Italian newspaper reports that the Italian Cabinet has approved a proposal by the Minister of Colonial Affairs to regulate and limit the output of commemorative stamps from Italy and its Colonies. The report further states that this officially recognizes that numerous and unnecessary issues tend to lessen the demand for stamps from the offending country. An official decree is soon to be issued, limit-

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Word is just at hand from Mr. M. Ohlman of 116 Nassau Street, New York, N. Y., who has handled the convention sales in the past, that he will have a nice sale for the S. P. A. Convention at Columbus, Ohio, in August.

The date of the sale will be Tuesday, August 11, 1931.

Mr. Ohlman states that the sale will not be one in which any large number of great rarities is included but that it will consist of attractive lots of stamps such as will interest the great majority of collectors. There will be a fine lot of plate numbers, strips and blocks of U. S., many fine foreign stamps and a lot of choice Air Mail Covers among which will be a Lindbergh autographed cover with the autograph guaranteed by the Pan American Airways.

Further news regarding the auction will be printed when available.

SCANDINAVIANS

Collectors who are interested in any of the Scandinavian or Northern European countries will be interested in the special list of these countries that has recently been issued by H. V. Hasselbaum, a dealer who has used space frequently in our columns. A most complete priced list of the stamps of these countries is offered and it is a very interesting list. All stamps offered include early issues as well as the very latest novelties.

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